

ACADEMY FOR SCIENCE AND DESIGN CHARTER SCHOOL

MEETING: BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 11, 2008

In Attendance: Kent Glossop (chair), Patty Humphrey, Karen Graham, Jennifer Star, Shanthi Nair

Also Present: Gina Rubery, Chris Franklin, Heather Evans

1. Meeting called to order at 6:20 by Chairman Glossop
2. Kent pointed out that it was the Annual Meeting so Patty nominated Kent for position of Chairman. 2nd Karen. Unanimous.
3. **Two Issues** discussed.
4. Board Member terms ending: Tom Popik, Susan Hollins and Karen Graham. Kent mentioned that Tom does not wish to serve on the board again and Patty mentioned that Susan was not interested in serving again. Patty motioned that Karen serve for another 2 year term. Jennifer 2nd. Unanimous.

Other Officers:

Kent phoned Izuh to ask if was interested in being an officer. Izuh did not want to serve as an officer for lack of time.

Patty nominated Karen as Vice President, Jennifer 2nd. Unanimous.

Shanthi nominated Patty as Secretary. Jennifer 2nd. Unanimous.

Shanthi nominated Lucille for treasurer, Karen 2nd. Unanimous.

Patty nominated Jennifer as Assistant Treasurer. Shanthi 2nd. Unanimous.

There was a discussion of new board members.

5. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Shanthi, 2nd Jennifer to adopt the meeting minutes of May 14th 08. Unanimous.
6. Discussion on having the children prepare some report of their experiences for the end of the year. Chris suggested that letters could be sent to the newspaper for acknowledging volunteers, and board members.
7. Chris Franklin handed out the hiring Spreadsheet. All the staff are returning. Mrs. Evans is now a full time staff at the school. There is going to be a course in Music next year. Chris mentioned that his consultant budget in this sheet was different from the one in the previous budget. He would like to keep the extra budget for consultants because we might want to add courses during the year.
8. Discussion of the federal grant: Jennifer is looking into it. Karen accepted a request for help to look over grants if we need.

9. Discussion of the lab: Chris handed out a plan for the lab. The current cafeteria will be converted to the lab. The current lab will become the lunch room and there will be 2 lunch sessions for all the children to be accommodated. Shanthi asked for an update on the new enrollments. 27 children have accepted to join the school .
10. Chris discussed the School Insurance. He pointed out that we had an excellent offer in our current insurance. Their coverage included insurance of property, liability for children, staff and board and more. He would like to continue with the same company.

The motion was passed by Patty and seconded by Karen . Voted unanimously.

LGC authorization for insurance.

"To approve participation in the Local Government Center's Property/Liability and Workers' Compensation Programs for the three-year period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011 and, on behalf of the board, to authorize Director Chris Franklin to sign any and all agreements and resolutions pertaining to that participation."

11. NH retirement System. The discussion had to be made whether the school would join the program. Mrs. Evans would like to be a part of some retirement program . The decision was delayed to a later meeting since Chris was unsure of all the pros and cons of joining this program and was not sure of all options.
12. Chris also talked about doing things more creatively with the school for fund raising. Patty suggested that a parent volunteer to look into it.

Report of the Fund raising Committee.

Patty is trying her best to find some funds. The school has the option of building up enough funds or would need to get legislative changes for Charter schools to get the necessary funding. Patty pointed out that the Charter School Association has created a fundraising committee for all Charter Schools. It would be advantageous and useful if some parents would be able to get involved in the committee.

Legislative Update:

The \$5000 per child is done. The legislation was a success even though we did not get the full \$6400. This was the only increase in budget in the entire state funding.